

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Eliseo Q. ALMAGRO et al Confirmation No: 1153

Appln. No.: 09/889,846 Group Art Unit: 1651

Filed: June 10, 2002 Examiner: Coe, S.

For: A PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION CAPABLE OF REGULATING

THE EXPRESSION OF ADHESION MOLECULES

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated September 3, 2002, for which a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time, along with payment of the appropriate fee, is attached, making response due on or before March 3, 2003.

The Patent Office is authorized to charge any fees necessary for the continued pendency of the above-identified application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 15-16.

REMARKS

In paragraph 4, on page 1 of the Office Action, the Examiner indicates that Claims 8-20 are pending.

In paragraph 5, on page 1 of the Office Action, the Examiner indicates that Claims 17-20 have been allowed.